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#### I. Introduction

Southern California Gas Company ("SoCalGas") files this monthly report to comply with Decision ("D.") 05-10-044, "Interim Opinion Approving Various Emergency Program Changes in Light of Anticipated High Natural Gas Prices in the Winter of 2005-2006," issued herein on October 27, 2005. Specifically, Ordering Paragraph ("OP") 19 of D.05-10-044 provides:

Each utility shall file monthly reports, this winter, due no later than the seventh of each month, December through May, presenting the percentage of residential accounts being paid in full when due, paid between 50-99%, and paid at less than the 50% trigger for shut-off protection, separately tracked by CARE, medical baseline and non-CARE customers (and FERA where applicable), and including shut-off figures for each of these customer groups.

#### I. Description of Report

#### A. 19-Day Report

Consistent with OP 19, SoCalGas here provides a report that reflects bill payment status for residential accounts as of the due date, which is 19 calendar days from the mail date of the bill. See Attachment 1, hereto.

B. 30-Day Report

Because a significant number of SoCalGas' customers who do not have difficulty

paying their energy bills do so between the due date and the time the next month's bill is

issued, SoCalGas believes that a report reflecting bill payment status just prior to the next

month's bill (approximately 30 days following the mail date of the bill) will provide the

Commission with a more accurate evaluation of the percentages of customers having

difficulty paying their bills as the winter progresses. Accordingly, in addition to the 19-

day report, discussed above, SoCalGas also is providing the Commission with a 30-day

report. See Attachment 1.

III. Conclusion

Accordingly, SoCalGas here files the reports reflected on Attachment 1 to comply

with OP 19.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **Attachment 1**

#### Southern California Gas Company January 2006 Report Pursuant to D.05-10-044 Ordering Paragraph 19

Bills Coming Due in January 2006 (1)					
<b>Residential Customers</b>	100%	50% - 99%	< 50%	Shut-offs	
CARE	61.1%	5.0%	33.9%	3,212	
Non-CARE	66.5%	4.5%	29.0%	13,477	
Total – All Residential Customers	65.3%	4.6%	30.1%	16,694	
Medical Baseline (2)	69.0%	4.9%	26.1%	5	

December Bills As of the January 2006 Bill Date (3)					
Residential Customers	100%	50% - 99%	< 50%	Shut-offs	
CARE	73.1%	4.8%	22.1%	3,212	
Non-CARE	79.8%	3.7%	16.5%	13,477	
Total – All Residential Customers	78.3%	3.9%	17.8%	16,694	
Medical Baseline (2)	80.9%	4.3%	14.8%	5	

#### **Notes**

- (1) Report reflects the status of accounts 19 days following the mail date of the bill.
- (2) Results for Medical Baseline accounts are also included in the appropriate category above.
- (3) Report reflects the status of accounts just prior to the calculation of the January bill (approximately 30 days following the mail date of the December bill).

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I have this day served a true and correct copy of MONTHLY REPORT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY (U904 G) ON WINTER INITIATIVE REQUIRED BY ORDERING PARAGRAPH 19 OF DECISION 05-10-044 FOR JANUARY 2006 to each party of record on the service list in R.04-01-006 via electronic mail. Those parties without an email address were served by placing copies in properly addressed and sealed envelopes and depositing such envelopes in the United States Mail with first-class postage prepaid.

Executed this 7th day of February, 2006 at San Diego, California.
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